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GENERAL NEWS.

Review of the Year.

Jan. 18.—The past year 212 [illegible] valued at $150,000, have [illegible] fishing fleet.

Business Failure.

Jan. 18.—Chas. H. Gaubert, formerly of the Gardner House, has failed for [illegible] amounts $70,000.

Hung and Left.

Jan. 18.—W. H. Eathburn, the [illegible] absconded after raising [illegible] on worthless checks and by [illegible] supposed he has gone to [illegible].

The Blockade Raised.

Jan. 18.—The first freight over the railroad for one week, [illegible], and other trains are [illegible] the snow blockade being [illegible].

Caught in a Tunnel.

Jan. 18.—A tunnel on the Marietta railroad to-night gave way [illegible] when it is feared [illegible] by the cave.

Fire in Oakland.

Jan. 18.—Mr. Fred May's [illegible] arrived Tuesday last, and is [illegible].

Fire in Baltimore.

Jan. 19.—Dispatches say two [illegible] have been recently [illegible]. The most important [illegible] where the Spanish [illegible] under Gen. Moccesto [illegible]. The other action [illegible] Cienfuegos, south coast, [illegible] Spanish forces suffered [illegible].

Congressional Contest.

Jan. 18.—Four unsuccessful [illegible] to-day, the 71st being [illegible] 18.—within five [illegible] 35; Whitthorne 1.

Elected a Senator.

Jan. 18.—John Saunders was to-day [illegible] on the third joint ballot, [illegible] fail. Republican and [illegible] Saunders was the [illegible] Nebraska.

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—The Senate committee [illegible] its labors, and [illegible] Orchestra.

Legislature to-day.

[illegible]

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—The [illegible] phases of the [illegible] to the determination [illegible] to vote for Tilden to-morrow [illegible] Democrats, where it is [illegible] Hunt and [illegible] in favor of the latter.

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—The [illegible] Boston [illegible] Rogers now pay 20 [illegible].

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—It is said that it was [illegible] would be elected; [illegible] was at the State [illegible].

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—Resolutions were [illegible] by Belmont (Republican) in the committee on [illegible] declaring that the last [illegible] was unfair or illegal are [illegible].

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—Gen. [illegible] writes a [illegible] giving a history of the [illegible] electoral votes, and [illegible] them by allowing [illegible] would be [illegible].

Fire in Boston.

Jan. 18.—[illegible] Arrested.

Jan. 18.—Smith N. Howes, [illegible] Covington, Kentucky, [illegible] family at the Tecumseh [illegible] months under the [illegible] was arrested to-day on a [illegible] by the Covington [illegible] application for extraction [illegible] that he had alterec $200 [illegible] on the Northern Bank [illegible], and forged an endorsement. Embezzlement is stated at [illegible].

Election Riot.

Jan. 18.—At the election in Delaware [illegible] men engaged in a free [illegible] Chairman would not allow the [illegible].

ARIZONA.

Mexican Filibusters.

Jan. 18.—A special to the *Union* [illegible] Arizona, to-night, says there is [illegible] from Sonora lately. Two [illegible] in connection with the [illegible] Filibusters, are here, which [illegible] to the rumor that Sonora is to [illegible].

Mexican Revolution.

Jan. 18.—[illegible] from Yuma says a nasty [illegible] deposed Gov. Villagrana, [illegible] Mexican frontier to an intimate [illegible] previous to the sailing of [illegible] from La Paz, announces [illegible] there, from whence he [illegible] to obtain troops and proba[illegible] war from the general government [illegible] himself at San Rafael. He [illegible] no doubt of his ability to oust [illegible].

Fire for Want of Funds.

Jan. 18.—Tucson special to-night says [illegible] are due and unpaid here on [illegible] and the proper disbursing [illegible] supplied with funds, when it [illegible] Congress has appropriated [illegible]. Something is wrong. [illegible] are sorely pressed. It is [illegible] is in San Francisco.

Business in Divorces.

Jan. 18.—Legislature is running through [illegible] wholesale, and is called "the [illegible]."

THE COMPROMISE.

Report of the Special Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The report of the joint committee to prepare a measure best calculated to accomplish a lawful counting of the electoral vote and best disposition of all questions connected therewith, starts out with a statement that the subject has been most carefully considered, and they believe the bill accompanying best calculated to effect the desired result. There are various theories of the constitution, widely diverse, and though some of them, it does not, in the opinion of the committee, violate any part of the constitution. The constitution requires that the electoral votes shall be counted upon a particular occasion. All will agree that these are the votes of the States, and when found and identified, there is only clerical work to be done in counting them. This bill is therefore directed merely to ascertaining for the purpose and aid of counting what are constitutional votes of respective States, and whatever jurisdiction exists for such purposes, the bill only regulates the method of exercising it. The constitution, our great instrument and security of liberty and order, speaks in the amplest language for all such cases in whatever aspect they may be presented. It declares Congress shall have power to make all laws which shall be necessary and proper for carrying into execution the foregoing powers, and all other powers vested by the constitution in the government of the United States, or any department or offices thereof. The committee therefore think the law proposed cannot be justly assailed as unconstitutional, by any one, and for this reason we think it unnecessary, whatever may be our individual views, to discuss any of the theories referred to. Our fidelity to the constitution is observed, when we find that the law we recommend is consistent with that instrument. The matter then being a proper subject for legislation, the fitness of the means proposed becomes the next subject of consideration. In all just governments, both public and private rights must be defined and determined by law. This is essential to every idea of such government, and is the characteristic distinction between free and despotic systems. However important it may be whether one citizen or another shall be chief magistrate for the period prescribed upon just theories of civil institutions, it is of far greater moment that the will of the people lawfully expressed in the choice of that officer shall be ascertained and carried into effect in a lawful way. It is true, in every operation of a government of laws from the most trivial to the more important, there will always be a possibility that the result reached will not be true. An executive officer may not wisely perform his duty; courts may not truly declare the law, and the legislative body may not enact the best laws; but in either case to resist the act of the executive, the course of the legislature, acting constitutionally and lawfully within their sphere, would be to put anarchy in the place of government. We think then to provide a clear and lawful means of performing the great and necessary function of government in a time of much public dispute, is of far greater importance than the particular advantage that any man or party may, in course of events, possibly obtain. But we have still endeavored to provide such lawful agencies of decision in the present case as shall be the most fair and impartial possible, under the circumstances. Each of the branches of the legislature and the judiciary are represented in the tribunal in equal proportions. The composition of the judicial part of the commission looks to the selection from different points of the whole, while it is thought to be free from any preponderance of supposable bias, and the addition of the necessary constituent part of the whole commission, in order to obtain an uneven number is left to an agency the farthest removed from prejudice or partisanship, and the most exempt from the influences of any existing attainable one. It would be difficult if not impossible to establish a tribunal that could be less subject to party criticisms than such a one. It is principle of its constitution, is so absolutely fair, that we are unable to perceive that the most extreme partisan can assail it, unless he prefers to embark his wishes upon the stormy sea of unregulated procedure, hot disputes and dangerous results, that can neither be measured nor declined, rather than upon a fixed and regular course of law that insures peace and order in society. Whatever party may be disappointed in its hopes, the unfortunate circumstance that no provision had been made on the subject before election, has greatly added to the difficulties of the committees in dealing with it, inasmuch as many of the people of the country, members of the respective political parties, will perhaps look with jealousy upon any measure that seems to involve even the possibility of the defeat of their wishes. But it has also led the committees to feel that their members are bound by the highest duty in such case to let no bias or party feeling stand in the way of just, equal and peaceful measures for extricating the question from the embarrassments that at present surround it.

In conclusion, we respectfully beg leave to impress upon Congress the necessity of a speedy determination upon this subject. It is impossible to estimate the material loss the country daily sustains from the existing state of uncertainty. It directly and powerfully tends to unsettle and paralyze business, to weaken public and private credit, and to create apprehensions in the minds of the people that disturb the peaceful tenor of their way and their happiness. It does far more; it tends to bring republican institutions into discredit and to create doubts of the success of our form of government and of the perpetuity of our Republic. All considerations of duty to patriotism and of justice unite in interest, of patriotism and of justice unite in interest, of patriotism and of justice unite in demanding of the law-making power a measure that will bring peace and prosperity to the country and show that our republican institutions are equal to any emergency, and in this connection we cannot refrain from an expression of our satisfaction that your committees, composed of an equal number of the opposing parties, have fortunately been able to do what has been attempted in vain heretofore, almost by them all to be just, wise and efficient. We accordingly recommend the proposed act to the patriotic and just judgment of Congress.

[Signed] GEO. F. EDMUNDS,
FREDK. T. FRELINGHUYSEN,
ROSCOE CONKLING,
A. G. THURMAN,
T. F. BAYARD
M. W. RANSOM.
Senate Committee.

H. B. PAYNE,
E. HUNTON,
ABRAM S. HEWITT,
WM. M. SPRINGER,
GEO. W. McCRARY,
GEO. F. HOAR
GEO. WILLARD,
House Committee.

Senator Morton is the only member of the committee who did not sign the report.

The Reading of the Report.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The *Tribune's* Washington special describing the reading of the committee's plan says: When the report had been read through, the Secretary said it was signed by members of the committee. "Read the names," insisted at least a score of reporters in one breath. They were read, when it was found Morton's name was not there. Of the fourteen members of the joint committee, every one had signed it except the Indiana Senator. All eyes were turned towards him, but he offered no explanatory report, and said nothing. A buzz of relief from the suppressed excitement that had prevailed, ran through the galleries. Sargent, who came in after the bill had been read, insisted on a second reading. This over, Bogy proceeded to administer a sedative in the form of a tedious speech.

Morton's Course.

Morton stated to one of the House members of the committee this morning that although he did not sign the report, he should probably say nothing in the Senate to oppose the passing of the bill. He took strong grounds last session against the constitutional power of Congress to throw a settlement of disputed questions growing out of the Presidential elections into the supreme court, or into any tribunal outside of the Houses.

Pacific Coast Senators on the Compromise.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Pacific coast Senators in conversation with representatives of the California associated press to-day, commented upon the electora compromise bill substantially as follows: Sargent said he was unequivocally opposed to it. Congress has no power to reject any votes that were duly certified by the States, and besides he did not believe it proper to take action which would virtually establish the principle that a party beaten in an election can compel the drawing of straws afterward. The way the tribunal was to be constituted by skipping circuits, &c., plainly indicated that the purpose was to select certain judges on account of their known partisanship, and the four being equally divided in politics, how would they agree upon the fifth. Sargent added, with some feeling, that so far as his observation had extended, the Republicans generally give way in such emergencies and lose what is at stake; as for instance, in the New Jersey legislature a few days ago, when the parties were equally divided, but the Republicans weakened and the Democrats obtained control of the house thereby, securing the election of a Senator. He believed the proposition gives the Democrats the advantage. They would therefore favor it and their votes in connection with a number of Republican Senators who will side with Edmunds and Conkling, would doubtless secure its adoption; but it could not be put through without encountering vigorous opposition.

Booth expressed himself emphatically in favor of the main features of the bill. He said he was profoundly impressed with the necessity of the establishment of some common ground on which the two parties could meet, and he also realized that no one could secure in the present condition of affairs the precise thing that might individually be deemed best. He would have preferred the adoption of his own joint resolution, which careful separated all the questions of law and of fact, and might have enabled the Supreme Court to reach a conclusion upon the legal question alone, though at the same time it provided that they might go behind these questions if they deemed it essential to do so. The joint committee, however, had been fairly constituted, its members being selected from among the ablest men in both Houses, and the fact that after such a prolonged consideration they had been able, with substantial unanimity, to agree upon a plan, commended it strongly to his support. Having only heard it read at the clerk's desk, he could only give his first impressions; but he certainly believed its main features were right, and he sincerely hoped he would be able to acquiesce in all its details, as it would be very desirable to pass it through both Houses without the delay and danger involved in amendments.

Mitchell said he was opposed to the bill for various reasons, and should oppose it, even if it related only to future elections. He did not think the supreme court should have anything to do with so local matters. He was opposed to the establishment of any tribunal to determine questions concerning the count of the electoral votes outside of Congress itself, and did not believe this sort of plan necessary to avert war. The Republican party could safely stand upon the truth that Hayes and Wheeler are legally and fairly elected. They are, said Mitchell, just as much elected as they will be in case this proposed tribunal shall declare them elected, and no declaration to the contrary can change the legal result already effected. He regarded the whole scheme as an indefensible concession to the Democrats.

Kelly says he believed the joint committee plan provided a just and equitable mode of settling the controversy. There must be some concession on both sides, and this plan gave no advantage to either party. He thought any good cause could safely be committed to such a tribunal, and he was perfectly willing to leave all controverted questions in its hands.

Jones heartily favored the plan. It would give the decisions of all questions at issue into fair hands, and also its adoption by the contending parties would be a grand crowning triumph for civilization and for the stability of Republican institutions. The tribunal selected was dignified and distinguished, and whether their decision were right or wrong the people would cheerfully accept it; it is palpably wrong, a just and enlightened public opinion would surely and speedily dismiss from power the party who profited by it. No party could permanently advance its interests by violation of the public conscience, and in his opinion the public look for and demand some plan of settlement like this, that shall give the country repose.

Sharon was not in the Senate to-day, being confined by illness to his room, where he is inaccessible, but in a conversation yesterday he expressed himself a firm believer in the doctrine that Congress cannot go behind a State's certificates, and that the electoral votes must be counted by the presiding officer of the Senate alone. He has recently expressed the opinion that no man can retain power in the Republican party who weakens in the present emergency.

Ex-Senator Stewart favors the committee's plan enthusiastically, considering it the highest evidence of the people's capacity for self-government that any peaceable settlement whatever could be provided. Never in the history of the world has a similar controversy been settled without war.

Sec. Gorham believes that as the presiding officer of the Senate has power under the constitution to open the electoral certificates, it necessarily follows that he has the right to determine which is the rightful return. A majority of the Senate, however, being opposed to this view, and the President *pro tem* having no power to maintain it against their wishes, he can not attempt to put it in force without being instantly deposed. In this posture of affairs, Gorham thinks the proposed compromise is the best settlement that can be effected. He considers it constitutional, and believes it will ensure peace.

The Compromise will Pass.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—While the measure reported by the select committee in regard to the counting of the electoral vote will meet with some opposition in the Senate, it is the general belief that it will receive a handsome majority when a vote is reached. An effort will be made to press it to a vote after a reasonable time for discussion, and several Senators express the belief that the final vote can be taken after a discussion of several days.

Democrats Discuss the Compromise.

After adjournment of the House this afternoon, the Democratic members held a caucus with reference to the bill of the joint committee, rather to discuss the question than to arrive at conclusions. Representative Hunton entered into an elaborate statement concerning its provisions. There existed doubt as to whether such a commission as proposed would have the same power to take testimony as that proposed by committees of the House. Some members are reserved in expression of opinions, wishing first to carefully examine the provisions of the bill before deciding whether they will support it, and others say if there is more dissatisfaction with the plan of the committee than appears upon the surface. Democrats, however, will have further consultation upon the subject and hold another caucus Monday afternoon after adjournment of the House.

The Position of Justices Field and Miller.

In view of the fact that Justices Miller and Field are two of the four judges specially designated by the joint committees bill to be members of the commission, the friends of these gentlemen respectively desire it to be stated that the recently reported conversation with Justice Miller, in which it was alleged he had given public and emphatic views on the Presidential question, is greatly exaggerated; also the published statement that Justice Field at a dinner party at the house of a Republican Senator recently, expressed his opinion, on the Presidential question, or regarding the action of the Louisiana returning board, is entirely untrue. The statement was referred to Senator Edmunds, who authorizes an emphatic denial of the whole story. Justice Field's remarks on that occasion were simply to the effect that he believed there was good sense and patriotism enough in the two Houses of Congress to devise some plan by which all existing or apprehended difficulties could be peaceably and satisfactorily adjusted.

Democratic Statesmen in Consultation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—The Democratic executive committee held a meeting to-night at the residence of Hewitt, and authorized the chairman and secretary to call a meeting of the Democratic national committee at an early day, if they should deem proper to do so, with reference to the resolution adopted by so, with reference to the resolution adopted by the Democratic convention at Columbus, Ohio, on the 8th of January, requesting the national Democratic committee to call a national convention to meet at Washington City on the 12th of February.

Objections to the Compromise.

There are two classes of objections urged by Republicans against the bill for counting the votes. One is by those who feel that the laws now existing, if executed, will certainly give the Presidency to Hayes. They oppose the bill because they say it is giving up a surety for something that is uncertain, and they remark if the party situation was exactly reversed, no Democrat could be found who would consent a moment to abandon such an advantage as the Republicans possess. The second class of objections is to the bill itself as an unconstitutional or an impolitic measure.

Democrats who oppose the bill do so on the ground generally that the arbitration would take the Presidency from the grasp of Tilden, and they say it would be much better for the Democracy to have Hayes seated President by the President of the Senate than have their candidate defeated by a tribunal that cannot be attacked.

Jerry Black says it is a bad bill. The House committee has been bulldozed. The American Democracy are pigeon-livered, have shown the white feather and run before a gun was pointed at them.

Democrats Will Not Meet Parties.

In another dispatch the *Times* says Republicans generally are unwilling to place themselves on the record, while the strongest opposition and warmest support are found on the Democratic side.

Democrats who favor the bill look upon it as an unexpected offering by the Republicans, as a good opportunity to retreat from an attitude of useless opposition to Hayes, which they feel cannot be maintained.

How the Senators Stand.

Price, Maxey, Kelly, and Alcorn all support the compromise. Chafee does not like the bill, but would dislike, in the present emergency, to take the responsibility of defeating it. Johnson, McCreery and Randolph are all undecided. Bayard favors it. Dawes and Boutwell are non-committal. Morton will present dissenting views in the shape of a speech, instead of a minority report.

Cameron, of Wisconsin, Withers and Booth also favor as an expedient in the interest of peace.

Ingalls said he like it as well as he would any prize package document, and did not believe it necessary to hunt the country over to find supreme judges in favor of Tilden for President.

Sargent said he was unalterably opposed to the measure.

Eaton said the constitution and laws make the two Houses of Congress the tribunal to count, but would lay aside his individual preference and assent to the passage of the bill. He characterized the report as able, plausible and fair, and he believed Republicans can not wisely reject it.

Wallace favors it, and says it gives Congress a sort of theoretical, though not practical, supervision over the work of the commission, which will probably do away with any constitutional objections, while the bill is practically the same as enacted by Federalists in 1800 (?) and is merely a temporary expedient to tide over present emergency. As such he will vote for it.

Gordon says it may be the best they can do, but he does not like it as he at present understands it.

Allison is inclined to be opposed to the bill.

Patterson is understood to be opposed to it.

West is inclined to look favorably upon it, but has not fully decided what he will do.

Christiancy thought the committee had proceeded in a spirit of perfect fairness toward both parties. He thought he would support it.

What Senator Ferry Says.

Ferry says it will relieve him of a grave responsibility if it becomes a law, though he will not shrink from duty.

Garfield Opposes the Bill.

Garfield said the proposition seemed to him like mortgaging the future to get over a present hitch. He don't know how the bill may be interpreted, but if it proposes to give the commission power to go behind the returns from a State and investigate the manner in which elections were carried, thus denying to the State the constitutional right to appoint its own electors in its own way, he should feel bound to oppose it.

Congressman Kelly Accepts.

Kelly said his personal conviction is that the President of the Senate possessed the full constitutional right to count the electoral vote, but there is such a demand from the people for immediate settlement of the pending question, he is disposed to lay aside his individual preferences and to assent to the passage of the bill. He character ted the report as able, plausible and fair, and believed Republicans cannot wisely reject it.

The President's Opinion.

The President said in conversation he had not had time to examine the bill carefully and critically, but on general principles he approved of a measure of the character alluded to, and if not objectionable in detail, or if it did not contain provisions at variance with the spirit and letter of the constitution he would accord to it his prompt approval. He said from the beginning he had felt no apprehension as to the final result, as he has always had great faith in the intelligence and patriotism of the American people. There have been threatenings and incipient violences, of revolutionary purposes in some quarters, to meet which he had taken proper means of precaution, and for which he will keep prepared until his responsibility is at an end. He said he was much encouraged by the prospect of a peaceful solution of the difficulty between the two parties in Congress. They are willing to trust it in the hands of a commission nearly impartial and bound by an oath to decide according to the constitution and laws.

The Herald Enthusiastically Supports the Compromise.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The *Herald* editorially enthusiastically favors the committee's plans.

How Luttrell Stands.

The *Sun's* Washington special says Luttrell would be for the bill if he could be convinced that the power conferred on the tribunal would enable it to probe all these returning board frauds to the bottom. He thought the committee having once agreed upon the common basis of adjustment of their differences, it will not be difficult to bring about a final settlement. He remarked the initial steps are always the most difficult. What follows is easy. The country is now in a condition to begin a period of unexampled prosperity, founded on correct principles of business and a proper standard of value, and all that is wanting is an amicable and satisfactory settlement of the Presidential question.

Extreme Partisans Scared.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—The *Tribune's* Washington special speaking of the committee's plans, says it is a curious fact, extreme partisans on both sides in the House of Representatives, express belief that this bill by its operation will give the election to their opponent.

The Prospect.

The *World's* Washington special on the committee's plans says Banks opposes; Crittendon supports it. Congressmen from New York City favor the bill almost with unanimity, as do most, if not all, Democratic Congressmen from the State. Indications are from a surface glance at the opinions of Senators such as has been made in the House, that the bill will probably command in the Senate relatively a larger vote than in the House.

Opinions in the House.

NEW YORK, Jan. 19.—In the House, Hurd, Wallace, Southard, Tyler and others opposed the bill, some saying it is an outrage on the Democratic party, others that it is unconstitutional.

Douglass, of Virginia, profanely says, "I will see it in —— before I vote for it."

Watterson is not pleased with it, but will not make a fight.

Tarbox says: "No department of the government can abrogate any of its proper functions in favor of any body. I prefer Hayes should be counted in, and let the Republican party take the responsibility of their fraudulent count, than that Congress should stultify itself by delegating any of its powers to any one."

Cox elegantly says, "I want to let the matter soak till morning before I express a decided opinion, for I would like to consider whether we can give any of our powers to any other fellows, and who these fellows are."

The Plan will be Adopted.

Almost an universal belief in Washington political circles to-night is that the committee's plan will be adopted in both Houses by overwhelming majorities.

The Chicago Tribune Approves the Compromise.

CHICAGO, Jan. 18.—The *Tribune* editorially commenting on the plan proposed by the joint special committee on the electoral question, says, that though the scheme is not perfect, it is better than civil war, and better than the Mexican plan of duplicate governments. It is acceptable as setting the threatened violence in Louisiana and South Carolina, as well as determining the Presidential election. The *Tribune* expresses great confidence in the honesty of the persons who will constitute the tribunal, and beseeks for the country a peaceful acquiescence in their verdict.

The Chicago Times Opposes, of Course.

The *Times* considers the plan unsatisfactory to everybody, and only a temporary expedient, a bridge over a chasm. It characterizes the plan proposed as dishonest and unconstitutional, besides it virtually leaves the President making power in the hands of the 15th man, the Supreme Justice, who is yet to be named.

What the New York Papers Say this Morning.

NEW YORK, Jan. 20—5:44 A. M.—Comments of the morning papers on the committee's plan: The *Times* says it does not seem to have occurred to the House of Representatives that the powers which a majority of the House claim to exercise over the choice of electors of States, find no warrant in the Constitution, and that the framers of that instrument took every precaution to guard against any interference by Congress with the legally declared verdict of the electoral colleges; nor do they appear to have grasped the fact that the only powers delegated by the plan are those of the Vice President of the United States, and that the only final objections which can be urged against it, are that it places the functions of that officer in the hands of a commission whose origin is unconstitutional as its composition is unwise. After a little reflection it will probably be discovered that a tribunal constituted on a strict party basis can only reach a decision either by aid of chance, selection of the Judge of Supreme Court, or by what will be called the treachery of some of the Senators or Representatives composing the court. In any case, the next President must owe its election under the proposed plan, to influences which will be strongly censured by the disappointed party probably be associated with corruption. The gross folly of exposing Justice of the Supreme Court to such imputations will not certainly be redeemed by any temporary lull which the bill will interpose to the strife of opposing factions. The *Times* continues: It is not a compromise, as Edmunds says, so far as the Republicans are concerned; it is more than a compromise; it is an abandonment of the position they were entitled to hold,—a surrender of the method sanctioned by usage, and which protects the right of the States to determine the regularity of their respective votes; it is, moreover, a surrender which, instead of calmly setting the points in dispute, lays the foundation for much bitterness and discontent, and drags into the mire of partisanship the judges of the Supreme court, at a time when they, of all men, should be protected from the taint of the two great parties whose interests are involved. The Democrats alone have reason to rejoice.

The *World* will not believe the Federal Constitution cannot endure the strain of a closely contested presidential election, and that to meet the emergency which adherence to the letter of the instrument might readily have overcome, it is considered necessary to construct a rickety piece of machinery, which will neither harmonize with other parts of the system nor contribute to the facts of the present or the future. A protocol of the proceedings was drawn up, to which all who took part in the council affixed their signatures.

Speculations about the Senate.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—Vienna correspondent of the *Standard* telegraphs, that advices have been received from Constantinople that the Ottoman government has resolved to declare war between Russia and Turkey.

Russia wants Asiatic Influence.

LONDON, Jan. 19.—A telegram to the *Times* says: Russia is endeavoring to secure the neutrality of Austria in the event of war. It is reasonable to be seen, however, whether these new negotiations are more than an attempt to win time Turkey with a sense of imminent danger.

Austria Secures Money.

A *Times* correspondent at Paris reports that the Austrian government has concluded a loan of seventy million florins gold, with various London, Vienna and Paris banks. This loan with the balance of one hundred and ten million florins, which the Reichsrath authorised the minister of finance to raise.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A semi-weekly mail has been ordered between Seattle and Coupeville.

The new three masted schooner at Port Ludlow is about ready to launch.

The Governor of Idaho has appointed, and the council has confirmed John Hasleton, Territorial treasurer, and Joseph Parrall, councillor.

The Lewiston *Teller* figures up its expenses and income from subscriptions and advertisements, and says it must have $215 worth of job work coming to it to come out even.

The Lewiston *Teller* of January 13th, says: "Both the Snake and Clearwater rivers have been closed for several days. The latter is at Lewiston, and the former at Silcox's ferry."

Capt. Hammond, of Port Townsend, has been for several years engaged in putting up salmon and herring. For the past few years herring fishery has been the specialty. He turns out 20,000 boxes of smoked herring per annum, equal in flavor and as well cured as the best Eastern brands. He also largely engages in the manufacture of oil, by pressing the herring, producing an average of 2,000 gallons per month.

The Boise *Statesman* says: "Mr. Legh. R. Freeman, editor of the *Ogden Freeman*, will visit this city in a few days for the purpose of interesting the people in the building of the Portland, Dalles & Salt Lake and South Pass railroad. The prospects for this road are more flattering than they ever have been, and we are glad to know that Mr. Freeman is coming to visit this section of the Territory on this important subject."

Lewis Myers, an insane man, took French leave from the hospital at Steilacoom last Monday, and also took passage on the steamer *Zephyr* for Olympia, to interview the Governor of Washington Territory. Dr. Starling telegraphed for his arrest, and Sheriff Billings called upon Mr. Myers in the Governor's office and held the unfortunate man till Thursday morning, on which occasion he accompanied him to the hospital.

PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

CALIFORNIA.

San Francisco Stock Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 19.—Ophir 21, Mexican 17½, G. & C. 15, B. & B. 22, California 46, Savage 9, Con. Va. 48½, Chollar 28, E. & N. 6, Point 6½, Jacket 13, Imperial (assessment) (Baltimore) 1 77½, Kentuck 7½, Alpha 13, Belcher 34, Sierra Nevada 56, Utah 12, Gallion 10½, Exchequer 5, Overman 39½, Confidence 72.

EVENING BOARD.—Con. Cal. 20, Belmont 34, Leopard 4, Union 34, Julia 44, Commercial 10½, New York 7½, B. & S. 31½, Knickerbocker 60c, Occidental 1c, Benjamin 14, Rescue 2, Dayton 12, Sheridan 2, Washington 12, Gallion 10, California 2, Con. Va. 48½, Potosi 56c, Trojan 85c, Lewelling 77½, North Con. Va. 65c, Atlantic 55c, Justice 7½, Overman 39½, Andes 14, B. & S. 32½, Ophir 21½, Chollar 28, Justice 11½, Thomas 35c, Potosi 56c.

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The Daily Oregonian.

SATURDAY MORNING, JAN. 20, 1877.

PARTY POLITICS—ITS METHODS AND RESULTS.

In the olden time, before the spoils system polluted the fountains of political power and debauched the political conscience of the country, there were parties, and the popular elections were influenced more or less by party considerations. But party lines were then drawn with special reference to questions of national policy, and the party contests involved no such personal and intense feeling of interest as to tempt to fraudulent and corrupt practices as a means to success. The achievement of a victory was not then, as it has been ever since the inauguration of the spoils system, the signal for a general rush of the victors for appointments to office, for favors in government contracts, for positions as contract brokers and office brokers between the government and the hungry crowd who have "worked" in the election. But the incoming of the spoils system changed all this. It intensified partisanship by making it a business matter with the class who are naturally the most active and unscrupulous in politics. Men "work" in elections now, because they are hired to do so, by direct payment of money, or by promises of being paid out of the public treasury in the way of jobs. The party is used simply as an instrument for carrying out the bargains of political hucksters, and of course the general character of political management is degraded to the low level of the purposes for which it is carried on. The rights of the people are nothing, the purity of the ballot-box is nothing, the sacredness of the constitutions and institutions of State and national governments is nothing to the scurvy race who trade themselves into control of the party machinery.

Now is a good time to study this party business. Its methods and their results can be contemplated at the same moment in the light of present facts. Its methods are presented in the manner of conducting the recent election of Presidential electors, and its results, in the state of the country. Does anybody suppose that if the election had been simply, or in the main, a patriotic contest over honest differences with respect to questions of constitutional right and government policy, instead of a scramble by the party politicians for the patronage of the government—for office and pelf—the Democratic frauds in New York or the Republican frauds in Philadelphia would have disgraced the country? Is anybody simple enough to agree the violence and crime by which the Democratic vote in many of the Southern States was swelled beyond all proportion consistent with honesty, or the shamelessly corrupt and villainous by disguise means resorted to by the Republicans in some of those States to overcome the Democratic vote, would have occurred if the inspiration of the politicians had not been the hope of political profit? Certainly not. The patent infamies of the campaign and the opprobrium it has brought on the American people, are all due to the debauching influence of a partnership based on the most vulgar of all human ambitions.

And what of the general results? The answer suggests itself to every reader at once. An election tainted, nay, saturated through and through with corruption has brought the country to the very brink of a precipice where, to go forward by the road method seems to promise nothing but destruction, and where there is no such thing as retracing its steps to safe ground. Patriotism calls a halt, and demands that since we can neither go backward nor forward, we must turn aside and try to save ourselves by some indirect and untried path. The danger of the situation is imminent and overwhelming. The people stand and tremble, while the few statesmen at the Capital, whose patriotism has made them the mark of party enmity, rush to the rescue and urge the party whips to rein up, before the last fearful plunge is taken. Some of the party men, just awakened to the gravity of the situation into which they have been led, see best to bring the country, nobly lend a hand to assist in extricating it, and there is hope that "with a long pull, and a strong pull, and a pull altogether," the calamity may be averted.

If partisanship stopped here and left patriotism unembarrassed in its efforts to secure the union, the facts, so fresh in memory, out of which the peril arises, are all sufficient, it would seem, to be a lasting warning against the system of politics which has produced such fruits. But partisanship does not stop here. It is not yet ready to abandon the field of its misbehavior from the. Though the better class of party politicians—or the less bad of them, to speak with greater precision—are rising above party, there are still found prominent individuals who antagonize every effort to rest the disaster, and insist upon plunging the country into the gulf that yawns before it. Look over the report of the attitude of different Senators and Representatives in Congress, toward the plan devised by the joint committee for counting the electoral votes, and note who they are that oppose it. They are the extreme partisans, and generally the notorious political jobbers. You could have called off the list, with scarcely a mistake, simply by considering the character of the men, without the assistance of the report. A low political character, coupled, in perhaps a majority of the cases, with a lower private character, is the distinguishing feature of their reputations. Will they stop before the work of ruin is completed? We believe the people will compel them to stop by setting them and their pretensions aside; but that is the only way to put an end to the evils their ascendency brings upon the country. The party politician must be ordered to the rear, and his place at the front filled by men in whom the sentiment of patriotism has influence enough, at least, to make them reliable friends of the country in time of danger, or the present difficulties will prove neither the last nor the worst that are in store.

The fare on the boats from Albany to Corvallis, is only 50 cents.

OREGON'S POSITION ON THE ELECTORAL COMPROMISE.

Senator "Mitchell's" opposition to the plan agreed upon by the joint committee for the settlement of the Presidential difficulties, ought not to surprise any person. It is in perfect keeping with his style of statesmanship. His thoughts upon the subject centre upon the question of the probable effect of the settlement on his command of Federal patronage. The "true inwardness" of his class of politicians is disclosed in the dispatch which says nearly all the extreme partisans think the plan, if carried out, will result in the success of the candidate of the opposite party. The writer of that dispatch mentions the fact as something rather remarkable, but by so doing he only discloses how superficial have been his observations of human nature. The extreme partisan naturally thinks he has a clear case, if he can only have the decision put through by his methods; and he, therefore, distrusts every proposition that looks to taking it out of his power to apply his methods. This accounts for the misgivings of the extremists on both sides. But while it is perfectly natural for Senator "Mitchell" to take the ground he does, it can not but be regarded as misfortune to our State that he does take that ground. By his influence much or little—a matter about which there is some dispute here, though we have not noticed much discussion on it at the East—the people of Oregon, who are an orderly and law-abiding people, and whose prosperity and happiness ought to be considered as above all party success or control of official patronage, have a right to be truly representec in this delicate and dangerous emergency. They are willing to submit a just cause to a just court, but they are not willing to contend for a case which they can not safely submit to a just court, especially if by contending they endanger the peace and prosperity of themselves and the whole nation. The Republicans of Oregon, almost unanimously, we take it, believe Hayes has been elected President, but we are persuaded they are not so wrapped up in their party and so warped by political prejudice as to insist on his being declared elected, in case a tribunal so manifestly fair and so eminently qualified to settle the vexed question should decide otherwise. Reasonable persons are apt to doubt the correctness of their own conclusions, formed upon imperfect and incomplete evidence of the facts, when they find them overruled by others who have all the facts before them, and who are distinguished for the qualities and qualifications necessary to the formation of a just judgment. If the Republican claim in this contest will not bear the scrutiny of such a tribunal as that proposed to be created by the bill presented by the joint committee, it is certainly too weak to base a vote upon, or to justify the continuation of the present state of political siege, by which the sense of security is destroyed, public and private confidence and credit impaired, and business paralyzed.

The New York *Times*, this morning discusses the electoral vote bill in an easy and airy vein, saying the House of Representatives seems to have forgotten that the power proposed to be delegated to the commission by the bill is the power conferred by the constitution on the President of the Senate. The *Times* seems strangely to have forgotten that the entire Democratic and a large proportion of the Republican party deny that such power is conferred on the President of the Senate by the constitution. This flippant way of discussing the question is very convenient, as it requires neither research nor thought; but it is not the style of discussion that is going to settle the controversy. It is easy enough to construct an argument whose logic is absolutely conclusive of the controversy, if one may only be allowed to assume the very point in dispute as his major premise. By the why, speaking of things that seem to have been forgotten, have these Republicans who talk so glibly about the right of the President of the Senate to count the votes and about the unconstitutionality of going behind the certificates of the State authority forgotten that Cronin has a regular certificate from the Governor of Oregon, in exact accordance with both the State and United States statutes? and have they forgotten that Hayes must have all three of Oregon's votes, to be elected? If there is no going behind the certicates, how is he to get these three votes? We confess this conundrum has puzzled us not a little. It will not do to say Secretary Chadwick's certificates are there, showing how the people voted, unless it is conceded that there is power to go behind the regular certificates for in no other way can Chadwick's certificates be considered. They are no part of the regular certificates, presented by law, and are utterly useless unless the inquiry may go behind the regular certificates. It has seemed to us, that so far from giving away their case, by the plan proposed by the committee, the Republicans will vastly improve their position; for if the count is to be a strictly ministerial act, based on the returns provided for by law, the Republicans have simply no chance at all.

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fe1 E. J. NORTHRUP, Assignee.

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Per JOSHUA DAVIES.

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Tenino, W. T., Jan. 17, 1877. ja18d6tw2m

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Boston and Lowell, Mass., papers please copy.

In Salem, of membranous croup and diphtheria, Jan. 7, A. H. Rockwell, aged 2 years and 3 months Jan. 14, Perry Albert, aged 11 months and 5 days, children of J. L. and H. Green.

Chicago papers please copy.

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Salem, January 17, 1877.

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School Taxes for 1876.
CONSEQUENCE OF THE LAW FOR THE
collection of School Taxes passed by the last
[illegible]ature does not take effect until the 20th inst
[illegible]ary, Taxes will be received up to that time, and
axes remaining unpaid at that date will be re-
ed to the County Clerk as delinquent, who is
anded by the law to attach his warrant to
delinquent list commanding the Sheriff to col-
the same. All that want to save costs will
up and pay.
[illegible]rder of the Board of Directors,
GEO. W. MURRAY,
Clerk of School District No. 1.
ice—With Messrs. Parrish & Cornell, Real Es-
Brokers, 88 Front street,
rtland, Jan. 4, 1877. [illegible]20

...RNAL.
...MORNING, JAN. 20, 1877.

CITY.

[illegible] OF THE REVENUE CUTTER.—The
[illegible]cutter recently constructed at
[illegible] down the river Thursday for
[illegible]ange of the special agents and
[illegible]overnment. This vessel, prob-
[illegible] the Revenue Marine of the
[illegible] was built by the Oregon Iron
[illegible] the superintendence of Capt.
[illegible] of the most accomplished
[illegible]ers of the revenue service.
[illegible] credit upon the unsurpassed
[illegible] building which our State
[illegible] has given rise to a great deal of
[illegible] on parties claiming liens upon
[illegible] materials used in her build-
[illegible] as claiming to own her.
[illegible] that she has not succeeded in
[illegible] another yet, for we learn
[illegible] who was a sub-contractor
[illegible]con Works, upon the yes-
[illegible]'s complaint against her to
[illegible] circuit court at Astoria, and
[illegible] found at the dock at that place,
[illegible] amounting to some $2,000.
[illegible] important questions of law
[illegible] this litigation as regards
[illegible] of the government and the
[illegible] of the vessel. The *Rockaway*
[illegible]nt cutter from San Francis-
[illegible] her namesake cutter on her
[illegible] river. Mr. W. H. Barton, a
[illegible]ent of the government,
[illegible] here for several days, looking
[illegible] of the United States, in re
[illegible] cutter, went down the river
[illegible] morning. He is a genial gentle-
[illegible] whose brief stay among us,
[illegible] we trust, will be but a brief stay among us, and whose best wishes follow

[illegible]ALTH.—Some years ago a
[illegible] intimately connected with
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[illegible] at which nigh ly in-
[illegible]ing of his sanctum, upset
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[illegible] in our den, the ubiquis-
[illegible] to stay out; but in his
[illegible] the festive mouse, that
[illegible] the paste and, lying
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[illegible] could be tolerated on
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[illegible] Sullivan, Brakeman
[illegible] train, Thursday
[illegible] while coupling up the
[illegible] the hands between the
[illegible] body that it is feared
[illegible] as signs of mortification

[illegible]owing letters remain
[illegible], Fargo & Co.'s office:
[illegible], C. Ferretts, C. C.
[illegible] (2), M. S. Hart, Mrs.

[illegible]—Is there Design in
[illegible] question for considera-
[illegible] in Good Templars' Hall

[illegible] Steamer *California*, from
[illegible] a late hour last evening.

[illegible]ENTS.
[illegible] Theater was jammed
[illegible]ing on the occasion of
[illegible]enefit of Mr. Sawtelle.
[illegible] on in good style and run
[illegible] entire satisfaction. In
[illegible] farce of "Mair. and
[illegible]ed by Miss Firmin, Mr.
[illegible]. During the interlude,
[illegible] performed by John
[illegible]son. The "Anvil Chorus"
[illegible] by a full band and four
[illegible]anting time to the music
[illegible]. Altogether considered,
[illegible] very enjoyable through-
[illegible]ning's performance closes
[illegible] theatrical season in this city.
[illegible] company will visit the Sound
[illegible]nities this afternoon, the
[illegible] will be repeated wi h full
[illegible]any. To-night, "Eartha,
[illegible] Girl," concluding with a
[illegible] for an Hour." This will be
[illegible]ly afforded our amusement
[illegible] seeing this company, and we
[illegible]ommending performances lib-

PERSONAL.

[illegible] of Forest Grove, Frank and
[illegible] Dallas, Polk county, are in
[illegible] on call last evening.

[illegible] Fries when you feel hungry.
[illegible] near Morrison.

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[illegible] corner First and Morrison

OUR OLD STEAMERS.

NAMES AND WHEREABOUTS OF ALL THE STEAMERS WHICH HAVE RUN TO THIS PORT.

A perusal o' the following brief sketch o' the various steamers which have run between San Francisco and Portland during the past twenty years may prove of some interest:

Steamer *Columbia* was sold years ago to the Japanese government and converted into a gunboat. She is still in active service.

The *Sea Gull*, which run for a short time to this port, was lost near the mouth of the Umpqua river.

The *Gold Hunter* run for a time between San Francisco and Portland. Subsequently she was christened the *Active* and placed on the northern route. Several years ago she was run ashore and totally wrecked near Cape Mendocino.

After the *Gold Hunter* came the *North Carolina*, which run for a short time and was withdrawn. She is out of service now.

The *Gen. Warren* made trips for a time, and was lost off the mouth of the Columbia during a heavy gale.

The sidew heel steamer *California* was sold some time ago to Goodall, Nelson & Co., and is now running on the southern coast.

The steamer *Oregon* was converted into a sailing vessel, and is now engaged in the lumber trade.

The *Brother Jonathan* ran on a sunken rock in 1866 off the coast of Northern California, and was lost.

The steamer *Sierra Nevada* was lost some years ago off the southern coast of California.

The *Pacific* run for years, was laid up and repaired and afterwards sold to Goodall, Nelson & Co., and placed on the Northern coast. She was lost off Cape Flattery in Nov. 1875.

Steamer *Cortez* was burned to the water's edge in the harbor at Hongkong in the year 1864.

The *Panama* has been converted into a sailing vessel, and is employed in the lumber trade.

The *Northerner* was lost in the year 1869 near Crescent City.

Some years ago the steamer *Orizaba* was sold to Goodall, Nelson & Co., and is now running on the Southern coast.

The *Montana* was burned about one month ago off the Mexican coast.

The *Moses Taylor* is now lying in ordinary in the bay at San Francisco.

Steamer *Continental* was lost down the Oregon coast in the year 1860.

Steamer *Constantine*, which run for a short time as opposition, by Hutchinson, Kohl & Co., has been sold to Goodall, Nelson & Co., and is running south.

The *Idaho* has been sold to the above named firm, and is making trips between San Francisco and points along the southern coast.

The propeller *California* is at present on the dry dock at San Francisco undergoing repairs.

Both the sidewheel steamers *Orifiamme* and *John L. Stephens* are lying idle at San Francisco.

The new and commodious sidewheel steamers *Geo. W. Elder* and *Ajax* are making regular trips between San Francisco and Portland. The fine new steamer *City of Chester* is expected to arrive at San Francisco in the course of five or six weeks, and will at once take the place of the *Ajax*.

BRIEF NOTES.

Matinee this 2 P. M.

Clear, starlight nights.

Steamer sails this morning.

"Knights of the Pretzel" is the name of a new society.

The game of "old sledge" was invented 3,000 years ago.

"We all stand on slippery places."—*Philadelphia Herald*. Not all. Some of us sit down.

The Chinaman who effected an escape several weeks ago from Jailer Morrill has been captured.

Charley Christie, foreman of the *Standard*, who has been very ill for many weeks, is convalescing.

For the information of our readers we would state that a "tonsorial bazaar" resembles a barber shop.

It is said that "man proposes," but he doesn't propose much in Massachusetts—31,000 sing a woman.

It was an interesting sight to observe a First street druggist buying onions from a countryman, yesterday.

A clergyman says he would be better satisfied if his congregation would give him more salary and not so many slippers.

Cogill and Cooper, the druggists, have made some money, and are having a variety theater built for them in San Francisco.

Newspaper reporters, who are constantly hand ing large amounts of money, ought to look out for that $1,000 counterfeit greenback.

Quite a large number of ladies and gentlemen from this side attended the party given at Odd Fellow's Hall, last evening, by the East Port and Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilton, of the Wilton Dramatic Company, made a flying trip to Portland last night and witnessed the performance at Oro Fino Theater. The company is playing to good houses in the valley towns, and will probably not reach Portland for two or three weeks.

SPECIAL CHURCH NOTICES.

Taylor street M. E. Church. Preaching tomorrow morning and evening by the pastor, Rev. C. V. Anthony. Subject in the morning, "Persons Accountability." At night, "A Wavering Mind." Sunday School at 2 P. M. Praise meeting at 6:30 P. M. All are invited.

Unitarian Church. Sunday morning service at 11. Mr. Gavin's evening discourse will be addressed especially to young men. Subject, "Victory over Evil to be Gained only through Tried and Trusty Means." I. Samuel, 17, 38 and 39. Rev. D. W. Utter, of Olympia, will preach in this church next Sunday morning and evening.

Preaching at the Baptist Church at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Morning subject, "International Sunday School Lessons for 1877, with their Applications." In the evening the first of four lectures to young people will be given, entitled, "Apples of Gold in Pictures of Silver;" or, "Words, their Nature and Influences." A young people's meeting, led by young people, but free to all, will be held at 6:30 P. M.

Clothing, clothing, clothing, at greatly reduced prices, at John's, corner First and Morrison streets.

For a genuine square meal on sight, commend us to Barnes, Central Market.

Boys' suits.
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Mrs. B. A. Owens, M.D., Office and residence, east side First street, between Yamhill and Taylor. Special attention given to Women and Children complaints. Also gives Medicated Vapor Baths, combined with Electricity, in treating Rheumatism and Chronic Diseases.

Captains and pilots will note the fact that Peter Wilhelm has fitted up two rooms for their especial use at the Fountain, corner Ash and First streets. English papers on file, and everything cosy.

The Medical Institute of Dr. W. L. Adams, corner of First and Salmon streets, will be removed to Hood river in a few months. Till then chronic diseases of men and women will be treated in Portland as usual. An accomplished lady assistant to give baths to ladies and assist in their treatment always in the office.

NOTICE.

To whom it may concern, I will be at the "Occidental Hotel," Portland, on Jan 22d and 23d, 1877, prepared to receipt for taxes due Washington county. H. B. MORGAN,
Sheriff Washington Co., Ogn.

The U. S. Government receives taxes amounting to more than $60,000 annually from the Cyrus Noble Distillery, which has since its opening in 1859 honestly paid its taxes for every gallon distilled.—*Internal Revenue Record.*

BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

THIRD DAY.

An unusually earnest meeting in the morning was followed by an essay on the spiritual elements in Sunday schools, by Rev. J. Y. Huff, which revealed deep and continued Bible study, and was full of fresh grouping of Bible facts.

No ancient religion made much of children except as prospective citizens. Weak children were often slain. Women were of little account. The heathen writers thought only of *glorious men*. Not so the Bible. Its greatest men were marked from youth, and its writers always urged the great responsibility for the little ones.

The three saviors of the Israelitish nation—Joseph, Moses and David—were youth of special promise, and their history is given from childhood. The babies of Scripture form a prominent and attractive group: Moses in the ark of bullrushes, Jesus in the manger, the dying child of Bathsheba and the son of the Shunamite woman, the consecrated Samuel, and the forerunner of the Gospel—all attracted great attention in Bible history before out of their swaddling clothes, while the picture of the Savior blessing little children will always remain one of the most beautiful of earth, and the history of the child Timothy made wise unto salvation through the scriptural teaching of his grandmother, Lois, and his Christian mother, Eunice, is a speaking model for Sunday school work. All these babies were noted for early piety. Not to the strong and manly alone, but "in the mouth of babes and sucklings" have the Scripture writers put the praises of God, and children sing to Jesus, "Hosanna to Him who comes in the name of the Highest."

A great multitude are in the wilderness destitute of food. A *lad* has a lunch basket of loaves and fishes through which the wants of all are supplied by the Redeemer. Let us take care of the children, for to them are a special promise given.

Mrs. S. Briggs presented an essay on Conversion of the Class the True Aim of the Teacher, which recommended the earnest effort for procuring disciples for Christ as a primary object.

Rev. Jones deprecated the effort of many to make every chanter and verse teach something about Christ. The atonement is one of God's great truths, but there are many others pertaining to right living which should be taught on these bases. He would not allow a Sunday School teacher to fill Historical teachings with personal thrusts at his pupils which must be dragged into the text. Teach what is in the lesson the best you can, Teach it as God's word, and he will take care of the application.

Rev. Ross would be spiritual in all Sabbath School work.

The evening brought another full house to listen to an essay on "The Best Method of Recruiting a School," by Rev. E. Russ, McMinnville. He would have pleasant rooms, easy seats, pictures on the walls, and good fires. Then have something to feed the mind and heart. Be alive.

W. C. Johnson would use all proper appliances of show to interest in religion, and then let the church go out not merely to recruit the school, but to express their love for others, to take hold of children because they love them, and they will have abundant success. Revival feelings always bring new scholars.

B. F. Dorris having been unable to be present on account of sickness in his family, Mr. Pierce spoke a short time on the way to learn truth. If God is one, he owns all truth and superintends it. If Christ is "God manifest in the flesh," all truth is related to Him, and hence to know Him crucified is truly to reach out into all the avenues leading to Him. The roaring of the water all the beautiful carpet on the rocks, the twinkling star, or the depths of earth and sea, all, if recognized as God's property, fill us with awe and gratitude, even as the voice of prayer, or the song of praise. We may find "sermons in stones and books in everything."

I see a vast temple rising in grander magnificence than that of Solomon, more beautiful than any work of art. It is the temple of Truth, and God holds the key thereof. "The entrance of thy Word gives light." So I see a larger crowd with pick and shovel, battering ram and warrior's sword, seeking to gain possession of its treasures, while another more reverent people approach the main entrance, and knock for admission. They enter, and the porter declares to such shall be given liberty and blessing. He shows them all the glory of His palace from an inside view, and the Spirit guides them into all truth. Which band shall enter? The latter, for I hear that all that climb up some other way are robbers, even though they gain the treasure.

After several votes of thanks the convention adjourned to meet in April at Eugene City.

EUGENE ITEMS.

Our correspondent at Eugene sends the following under date of Jan. 19th:

The State University has eighty students in the collegiate department.

Cheshire's automatons are attracting considerable attention at Graham's tailor shop.

A Mr. Cleaver, of Albany, will soon start a store for the sale of agricultural machinery.

Mr. Geo. Armberger, the tonsorial artist, has sold out and gone to hunt a more favored locality.

Our fellow-townsman, T. Jeff. Smith has secured a position in the customhouse at Portland.

Whether the execution of Major Andre was justifiable, will be settled by the ladies' literary society this evening.

W. H. Abrams & Bro.'s steam sawmill has shut down for the winter. They will start up again about the 1st of May.

The Eugene dramatic troupe repeat the drama "Bread on the Waters," for the benefit of the M. E. and Christian churches, on Saturday, Jan. 20th.

Campbell Brothers have completed their contract on the new livery stable, and the same has been accepted by Mr. Humphrey, and is now used as a skating rink.

Recently, while of one our young drug clerks was sunning himself behind the store, his girl winked at him and beckoned him to her from a neighboring window. A customer coming in, his invitation by the force of circumstances was neglected. He now spends all his spare hours out there, hoping that she will wink and beckon him again.

Portland Steam Scouring Mills are again in operation. Blankets scoured, re-napped and bleached. Ply and Ingrain Carpets scoured and made clean and bright without changing color. Brussels Carpets threshed by a steam thresher, and spots and every particle of dust taken out. Shawls and table covers cleaned and pressed. Mattresses scoured and replicked. Mills—head of Jefferson st. Leave orders at Powers' Furniture Store or Weeks & Morgan's Grocery Store.

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Opposite Strowbridge's Block, has on hand and for sale a large assortment of fine Cigars, Chewing and Smoking Tobacco, the best, cheapest and largest assortment in the city. Call and judge for yourself, and be convinced that I give more satisfaction for your money than any other retail store here.
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NOTICE.

The undersigned in taking leave of Portland returns his sincere thanks for the liberal patronage that has been bestowed, and would bespeak for his successors a continuance of the same.
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OREGON.

Burglars are making some trouble with the people of Albany.

A case of smallpox is reported in Moore's valley, Yamhill county.

The diphtheria has almost entirely disappeared from Washington county.

Mr. Brown, of the Albany *Democrat* has been seriously ill, but is recovering.

R. M. Gilbert has been appointed marshal of McMinnville, vice S. D. Gaunt resigned.

There have been but two deaths in Nehalem valley since it was settled, and both were suicides.

The Oregon State Woman Suffrage Association will meet at Albany about the middle of February.

The Corval is brass band propose to give a concert and ball on the 22d of February, and are now practicing.

A horse kicked J. H. Fletcher, of Yamhill, last week, striking one of his ears in such a way as to cut it nearly off.

A subscription is being circulated in Salem to raise money to pay for setting out trees around the State house block.

A pretended agent of an Eastern nursery recently sold a lot of bogus fruit trees to many Washington county farmers at exorbitant prices.

The Coquille Black Sand Mining Company has filed articles with the Secretary of State for an increase of its capital stock from $400,000 to $750,000.

Mrs. Udin, a German immigrant, died of smallpox at Bridgeport, last week. Her husband is sick with the same disease, but will probably recover.

Mrs. Kinney and her mother, Mrs. Brown, of Hillsboro, were thrown from a wagon near that place, last week, and both were seriously but not fatally injured.

A Salem photographer has invented something new in the way of finishing photographs. He gives the pictures a light blue tint, or gives it a deep ultra marine color, that imparts richness and tone to the picture. By the new process pictures can be taken from the negative in two minutes' time, without the aid of acids or minerals.

The stockholders of the Washington County Agricultural Society met at the court house in Hillsboro on Saturday, Jan. 7, 1877, and were called to order by the President, R. Imbrie. The following named directors were elected for the ensuing year: W. R. Jackson, R. Imbrie, B. Cornelius, W. G. Scoggin, A. Luelling, W. Reeves, J. C. Hawthorne, S. Stott and W. D. Pittenger. The directors elected R. Imbrie, president, W. D. Pittenger secretary, and A. Luelling treasurer.

A letter from Nehalem to the *Independent* says: "Gold has been found here. Tradition has it that the Indians found gold in the streams. They were in pursuit of elk, and were crossing the streams, and in stooping to drink discovered it. They told the 'Boston' men of the beautiful stream and glittering rocks, but on being questioned further refused to state the locality, as they had a spite against the race of whites. There will be a grand gold hunt here in the spring."

The Corvallis *Gazette* says, Salem, Brownsville, Forest Grove and several other places in the Willamette valley, have been recently visited by the fearful scourge, diphtheria, of a very malignant type, almost entire families, in some instances, having been swept off in a few days. Three children of the late Isaac Newton, of this county, (whose widow had married and moved to Albany), were recently brought to the family burying ground and deposited in one grave—victims of this disease. At Salem the mortality has been very great, causing as high as five funerals in one day, recently. Corvallis, so far, has escaped the ravages of the fearful destroyer. Mr. Vanciren also lost three children by diphtheria during the last week in December.

"REDUCED RATINGS"—A CARD.

As the article contained in the last issue of the *Commercial Reporter*, under the heading of "Reduced Ratings," does not seem to be clearly understood, we beg to say, through your columns, that the article in question refers *directly* to the shrinkage and declines in the value of assets, which have taken place more particularly in the Eastern part of the country, and has but an indirect or nominal bearing upon matters on this coast. The "new key" alluded to was adopted principally to meet the emergencies in the East, but cannot fail to be equally valuable to merchants here, as the margins of estimates are made much smaller, and it is made still more complete by the addition of the terms AA and B.

In order to illustrate the operations of the New Key, the following comparison with the Old Key is instituted:

	Old Key:	Interpretation under New Key.
A+	Formerly meant	$1,000,000 or over.
A	" "	500,000 to 1,000,000
B	" "	250,000 to 500,000
C	" "	100,000 to 250,000
D	" "	50,000 to 100,000
E	" "	25,000 to 50,000
F	" "	10,000 to 25,000
AA	(Additional Rating)	$1,000,000 or over.
A+	Will now mean	750,000 or over.
A	" "	500,000 to 750,000
B+	(Additional rating)	300,000 to 500,000
B	Will now mean	150,000 to 300,000
C	" "	75,000 to 150,000
D	" "	40,000 to 75,000
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Mr. T. W. Drake was elected mayor of Victoria on last Tuesday by 49 majority over J. S. Drummond. Whole number of votes cast, 672.

Part of the Wellington Colliery wharf, at Nanaimo, was carried away during the gale of Monday night by a ship that lay alongside of it.

The exports of British Columbia during the year 1876 were valued at $2,617,687, being $ 55,780 less than in 1875. The principal article was gold dust in both years.

The *City of Panama*, en route from Victoria to San Francisco, has $27,255 in gold shipped as follows: Bank of British Columbia, $15,428; Bank of British North America, $8,677; F. Garesche, $3,150.

A letter from Chilliwhack, dated Jan. 8th, says: The weather, so far, this winter has been remarkably mild. Hardly any cattle have been fed yet. New settlers are beginning to believe that the pioneers' stories about mild winters in former years are correct. What would the people of our sister provinces think of a climate where frogs croak in January.

The schooner *Alert*, bound for the West coast, returned to Victoria, having had a very narrow escape from total wreck in Neah Bay, where she ran for shelter from heavy weather. Her preservation and the lives of all on board is entirely due to the presence of mind and cool seamanship of Geo. Brown, the master. She lost her best anchor and split her foresail. Too much praise can not be awarded to the pilots from the American pilot schooner *Lottie*, anchored in the bay, who came on board at considerable risk to themselves and assisted the *Alert's* crew in getting underway; and had it not been for their gratuitous assistance, in all probability neither the *Alert*, the writer, nor any on board would plain Victoria to-day—but in another and may han a better world. The *Alert* passed a quantity of large lumber in the Straits.

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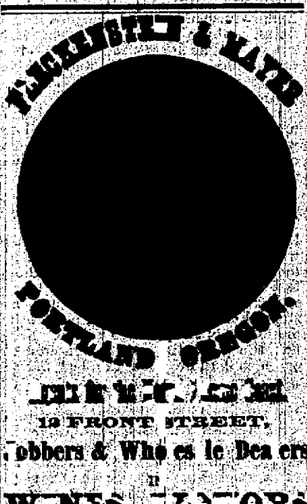

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THE FISHER'S WIFE.

Roared the wild swelling billows,
Out on the lonesome sea;
Up sprang the pearl clear foam caps,
Chasing the wind a glee;
While the gray skies melancholy,
Low in their mockery tent,
Like the dismal drapery of funeral
Or coffin cerement.

Light gleamed from the fisher's cottage,
Streamed through the lonely night,
Crimsoned the weary woman,
Watching there pale and white,
Listening the loud winds screaming,
Praying the vengeful waves
To guide him safe through the darkness—
In from the sea's black graves.

Over the mountain of pillows
Struggled the fisher's boat,
With never a hand to guide her—
Never an oar to float!
Down in the shell-paved temples—
Naiads his vigils to keep;
Sheepeth the bold dauntless sailor,
Low in the halls of the deep.

Woman, extinguish the watch fire!
Give to thy strained ear rest—
One there is up in Heaven,
Doeth all for the best!
Lay down on thy wretched pillow,
Ask for the dream god's spell—
Far down in the sea thy husband
Sleepeth soundly and well!

BENJAMIN JACQUES.

[From the Atlantic Monthly.]

In an iron bound valley of the Adirondacks, Ben. Jacques was financially ruined in the summer of 18—2 by a mining speculation. His ruin did not mean so very much in dollars and cents, perhaps less than his previous failures in the same barren field, but somehow the last failure seemed to mean a great deal to him personally. His open, honest face revealed keen suffering.

Jacques had been very temperate and industrious. He would have gained success if there had been half a chance. But mining in the Adirondack mountains was hard. So long as a man was young, and new at the business, he could endure the disappointments after a fashion; but when he was turned of forty years of age, and had learned that mining in the Adirondacks was contending against great commercial odds if not natural laws, he was apt to think that he needed a change. One's best strength for "lighting the rocks" was likely to be impaired before middle life. Jacques, however, was still strong. It was too early upon earnest purposes and honest hopes that wrung his heart. He had tried so many times, he said, and so fair, and every time a failure.

On this last occasion Jacques' brown locks were turning to silver, as the assets of his venture were made over to "the company," leaving him without a dollar; and he explained to his friends, in his simple, direct way, with tears in his frank, gray eyes, that he was tired.

"More than twelve years ago," he said, "I brought a little money and a hopeful heart to these mountains, and you all know whether I have worked faithful. Now I am down now, and my heart is sore. It ain't no use, boys," he added. "It is a hard country. Them few black holes over there in the hill is all I have to show for my work. And them ain't mine any longer," he added, struggling with a sob. He said to a friend, privately and with tears, "It's all right, George, to talk of settling down, but when a man has lost his hopes, and sees it's too late, and he has nothing to offer, what can he say?"

Three days after the failure, Ben Jacques started away from the mining settlement alone for a walk among the mountains. He was trying to get a mental view of what else there might be in the world beside iron ore and speculation and heartache. It was a July morning, all brightness, and cheered by the birds, he walked along a little road up by a cabin where his newly-married friend, Nellie, and her husband lived. The little home was a sweet picture. Beyond it were the woods and the dark mountains. To the toiler, whose existence had been for so many years a struggle to wrench a fortune from these rocky hills, they seemed implacable and pitiless. What was the serenity of their heights but contempt for his feeble struggles?

He passed on from the settlement into the woods. There was an old mining road that he knew of. It led many miles into the wilderness. It had been "cut out" and speedily abandoned in a mining speculation years ago. He followed this track five miles to Cherry lake. The lake was very solitary. A dark, rugged hill, clothed with black spruce rose beyond it. Where Jacques was, there was a plain covered with maple and beech trees. He noticed how fine the prospect was, and now wonderfully the blue waters sparkled in the July noon. Then he sat down upon the shore and smoked his pipe, and thought it all over again. When he returned to the settlement that evening, he remarked that he had considered the matter fully, and was sure that he had done with mining forever.

A week later the news was circulated that Ben Jacques had put up a log-cabin away off in the woods at Cherry Lake, and was going to turn hermit. There were diverse comments upon this intelligence. Some reckoned that he had found a new mine out there, others were "afeard" that Ben had a soft spot in his head. His own statement of the case to Nellie was plain. He said he was tired. He declared, also, that it was pleasant at the lake, and that he loved to dream there in the silence. "I remember a world outside of these mountains, Nellie," said Jacques, "that you have not seen." When Nellie said, anxiously, that she feared he was giving way to some secret sorrow, he did not reply.

Jacque's cabin at the lake was a pleasant place. During the autumn he cleared a little ground, that he might have a garden in the spring, and he improved the old road so that a team could be driven over it. A few weeks' labor at "The Works" supplied him with means to procure the necessaries he required. Then a little furniture and a few books were taken to the cabin, and the toiler settled down to rest.

Jacques was a sensitive man. The isolation of his hermit-life soon had its natural effect upon him. That unseen world that surrounds the living, both when they wake and when they sleep, seemed to him to come nearer and nearer. The strange spirits that woo and win the solitary found him in the wilderness. It was observed that he was becoming quiet and shy, and that the little he saw of society when he visited the settlement oppressed him.

The seasons came and went with much uncertainty, and many baffled enterprises, at the mining settlement. Amid the worry and the failures, Ben Jacques, the hermit, was little cared for, and rarely remembered.

The little settlement did not encroach very rapidly upon the woods. Jacques' cabin was still miles away in the forest. His acre of garden was a rose in the vast wilderness. In spring the flowers bloomed around his doorway, and the bees from his hives hummed around the tiny clearing. Remote as it was, the robins and the bluebirds found this lonely home. It was one of the picnic journeys in summer for the young folks to travel the long, unfrequented road through the woods, and visit Jaques, the hermit. These visits were received as a great honor by the venerable man, and he always gave the visitors honey and flowers. But only Nellie, and her husband and children, knew "old Mr. Jacques" as something more than a strange man of a curiosity. Twice, at least, every summer a horse and rude wagon were driven by Nellie's husband, or by her own hands, over the rough road to Mr. Jacques'. Almost every month in the year Jacques came to see Nellie and her family. It was the tie that bound him to the outward world.

Nellie used to say to her husband that although she could not imagine what it was, she was sure there was some sad secret in Mr. Jacques' life. Her eyes grew dim with tears as she saw that her own little Mary, so timid and shy toward all others, yet found a friend in this lonely and aged man. She wondered at the pretty blush that came to his withered cheeks as the quiet child welcomed and kissed him.

But no one knew the life or the thoughts of Benjamin Jacques. The dreary years, the brightness of summer, and the winter's dreadful cold, found him dwelling over alone in the silence of the great woods. As the long decades were passing, the silver of his locks changed to snow.

It came to pass that a message from the years gone by penetrated to his seclusion, reaching the saddened spirit more to wound than to cheer.

It was an August night and raining. Jacques sat in his cabin, reading a newspaper dated three months back. The light of a candle which he held in his hand fell upon his face, revealing how strangely and sadly it was chastened by his lonely life. The rain beat dull and dreary upon the window pane. A mouse nibbled in the cupboard and then ran across the floor. A low, moaning sigh came from the forest. Jacques put his candle upon the table, pushed up his spectacles, closed his eyes and sat thinking. There were strange stories in the newspaper he had been reading, about spirits coming back to this world. He was not surprised by the idea. He had felt his deceased mother near him many times, when he was utterly heart-broken and weeping in his solitary hours. But he did not think it likely the spirits would make noises and disturb people. He was satisfied that the accounts in the newspaper were not true. Then he wondered again what it was that he had felt coming all day. Perhaps it was nothing. Yet why should he feel it always before people came? He would not have believed such things years ago.

Jacques opened his eyes. Was that a faint lightning-flash upon the window? It was too long and steady for that. He rose and peered out into the blackness of the stormy night. His window overlooked the lake. Across upon a point of land that projected out from the main shore, a ruddy fire was burning. Its red glare came in a misty, shimmering trace across the waves.

"Some hunters, probably," thought Jacques. And ye, the hunters never came to the lake, and there was no fishing there. "It must be somebody who has come all the way through on the old mining road," he said to himself. He tried to think it was not remarkable; but he did not sleep very soundly that night for thinking of it, although the beat of the rain upon the roof soothed him.

The next morning was clear and beautiful. The green, wet woods were steaming in the warm summer air, and the bees were humming. At 8 o'clock Jacques sat reading in his open door-way. A bright, active boy, dressed in a blue suit, and about twelve years of age, came along the lake shore, and to the door of the cabin.

"Good morning Mr. Jacques," said the boy, with a cheery smile; and his clear blue eyes looked kindly and curiously at the long, white hair and grave, sad face of the hermit. Jacques pushed his spectacles back upon his forehead, and turned his dreamy look upon the eager young face before him.

The boy proceeded to tell Jacques that he and his older brother had walked sixty miles along the roads through the woods for a vacation, and were camping over on the point. He said that as it was Sunday, they should stay over until to-morrow. "They told us back at Smith's that you lived here, and that your name was Mr. Jacques," said the boy with juvenile volubility; and turning partly away, the lad commenced biting the green bark from a birch branch in his hand, glancing at the man meanwhile, to discover what impression he was making. When the hermit spoke a few kind words in reply, the boy seemed to judge that it would be safe to develop his policy. "You see, Mr. Jacques," he said, "we want some new potatoes from your garden, and I guess you will hate to let us have any."

The boy found little difficulty in arranging with kind-hearted Mr. Jacques. The hermit was ready to do more than was asked of him. He urged that the lads should come and stay at his cot age.

The boy departed, and soon returned with his comrade. They brought a knapsack full of trou, and a rifle. The elder boy was also dressed in blue; he was grave and sedate.

The young talkers made it lively at the cottage. Jacques had not heard such music there for many a dreary day,—not since the picnic, three years before.

The boys looked at the bees and the flowers, and the younger one explored all the surroundings of the place. Will, the elder, sat with Jacques and conversed quietly of the news of the day. The conversation turned upon books. The boy was well informed.

"You are a student," said Jacques. "When I was young, I too had some schooling; in my solitude I still find in reading my chief enjoyment and solace." And then Jacques produced a worn volume of Milton's Poems, and read, in a slow, measured manner, a part of the poem beginning at man's first disobedience, that brought death into the world and all our woe.

The old man became confidential with the sober scholarly lad. "I know little," said Jacques, humbly, "of the great world in which you live, and of literary men and fame; my grandfather was a writer for the press in France." And then Jacques, with diffidence and embarrassment, confessed that in the long, silent hours, just to amuse his thoughts, he had himself composed a few lines, and had them in memory. They were not much, he said, but they gave him something to think about, and imparted to his solitary hours a certain pleasure.

"I am not skilled in punctuation," he remarked, in his unaffected way, "and so I have written them down." As the two became more acquainted, the old man, blushing a little, repeated a poem of his own, and the young student jotted it down in cipher in his note-book. The hermit was greatly pleased at this, and smiled with a simple, honest pride, as his words were read back to him to see that all was right. Jacques was correct in saying that the lines were not very much. They were inspired by Milton's Paradise Lost, and treated of the same great theme. With all their rudeness, however, they revealed the native grandeur of his soul, and I would fain believe that they reflected in some degree the light of the great epic that inspired them.

As the sun was going down, the boys and Jacques sat in the cottage door.

"You call each other Will and George," said Jacques, "but, if I may ask, what are your full names?"

The boys gave their names and the name of their father.

What was it that made Jacques tremble and then remain so still? The boys noticed the agitation and the silence, but knew no cause. By degrees the conversation was resumed. A half hour passed away.

Jacques said to Will, as if casually, "Your father is the missionary pastor that has recently came to this region and visits the settlement sometimes?"

Will replied in the affirmative. The conversation turned again to other matters. An hour later Jacques said to Will, "You favor your father in your looks, I suppose?"

"Yes, so they say," replied Will, smiling at the old man's curiosity.

"But he is not like your father," said Jacques, pointing to George.

"No," said Will, unconsciously, "he is like mother, they say."

Why was the old man so quiet? Why did his voice tremble when he spoke? The boys noticed how humble and sad and subdued he seemed that evening, and wondered why he consulted every wish of theirs so anxiously, and seemed to strive so hard to serve them.

In spite of their expostulations the hermit gave up his own bed to the boys. The brothers sat by their bed before retiring. They were whispering a moment together. What was it? Jacques heard the words, "George, mother said we always must," and then the two knelt silently at the bedside. When they rose they saw that Jacques was also kneeling, and a low sound like a sob came from the dim corner where he was, as he rose from his knees. There were kind good nights said, and wishes for a bright to-morrow, and the lads slept.

The wishes for a bright morning were realized, and the youthful travelers prepared to resume their journey. Before they went away Jacques said, "I was acquainted with your parents many years ago; that is," he continued, with a strange faltering, "I do not know as I was acquainted with your father—you might tell them," he added, "that Mr. Jacques sends his respects—if they should remember me."

It was 7 o'clock; and the sun was shining very brightly, when the rosy-faced boys left Jacques' cabin, and with kind words of "good-by" started along the road out toward the mining settlement. As they passed into the woods they turned and looked back once more at the garden and flowers, and they waved once more adieu with their caps to the hermit. As they did so, Jacques stood by the road side, leaning upon his staff and weeping bitterly.

"That is a very strange old man," said George.

"So he is," said Will; "I think he was crying at last night." And the two, so young and inexperienced in the voyage of life, passed on, not knowing what message they had brought to this shipwrecked mariner, upon his lonely rock in the vast mysterious ocean.

Jacques's health declined. Nellie thought it was not safe for the old man to live alone. She urged upon her husband the propriety of bringing their friend to their own house. But Jacques when invited said, no, he could not leave his home. In the winter following, Nellie's husband visited Jacques several times, making the journey upon snow shoes. But he always found the hermit in about his usual health, and able, he said, to visit the settlement whenever he desired to.

It was spring again. Robins and bluebirds came; and Jacques' garden hummed with the bees and bloomed with the flowers, when the fire-pulsed, leafy June was glowing with the life of a new summer. Nellie and little Mary went in their wagon to visit "old Mr. Jacques," at the lake. They came to the cottage. The timid little maiden sprang out of the wagon and went forward through the gate, while her mother remained to tie the old gray horse to a post. Mary went close up to the cottage. The door was open and she stepped in. Then she called back to her mother that Jacques was asleep. Nellie felt the presentiment. She entered the cabin, and there upon the bed was the weary traveler, forever at rest.

It was plain that the great conqueror had surprised him. Jacques was dressed with his usual neatness and care. His Milton had fallen from his hand and was laying upon the bed by his side. The clock was ticking upon the shelf, and the flowers upon the little table at the bedside were still fresh with the morning dew. The little window toward the lake was open, and the light summer air stirred the white muslin curtain that shaded it. Nellie and little Mary stood for a while awe-stricken in the great hush and stillness of the presence of death. Then Nellie closed the house, and her tears fell as she realized that she was doing the last service she could render her friend. Then she and little Mary returned to the settlement, and suitable aid was secured and sent to the cabin.

It was proposed that Jacques should be brought out of the common burying-ground; but it turned out that he had strictly charged Nellie that his grave should be at his home. The place he had chosen was where the flowers grew, and the bees and the birds and the sunshine came first in spring.

The hermit's wishes in regard to his last resting place were complied with. The funeral was upon the Sabbath; and a service at the settlement was omitted, in order that the people might assemble at the hermitage. It was esteemed fortunate that the missionary pastor was making his round, traveling with his wife in the bright summer weather, along the roads to the settlement in the wilderness. They came to the meeting that Sabbath, at the little clearing in the woods.

The missionary pastor was a venerable man, who had seen service in the cause of his Master in many fields. His wife was a tall, quiet woman, bearing well the dignity of age. The silver was thickening in her hair, but her features were still symmetrically moulded, and she retained her queenly tread.

The pastor spoke from the door of the cabin, while the women were within, and a congregation of men was upon the outside.

Why did the pastor's wife manifest so much interest in the cabin and the things there? She observed the hermit's furniture and his books. After the sermon, when there was a little stir in arranging before burial, she ventured to lift a worn copy of Milton's poems from the table at her side. What was it upon the fly leaf that brought a little flush to her face? Only these faded words, written in an unformed, girlish hand, "Happy New Year to Mr. Jacques, 1829."

Soon the arrangements were made, and the people, according to the country custom, passed in file by the coffin and looked their last. It was noticed that the pastor's wife wept, and placed a flower from the garden upon the breast of the aged sleeper.

The services were over. The body of Benjamin Jacques had been committed to its kindred dust. The pastor observed that his wife trembled as he aided her to get into the stout buggy which was his traveling carriage. As the line of wagons filed along the road under the trees, the pastor said in his kindest tone, "My dear, you were very much effected by the services to-day." The wife placed her hand tenderly upon her husband's arm and replied, "It is the same man, Joseph; I was acquainted with Mr. Jacques when I was a young girl in Salem."

Shipping Intelligence.

The steamship Ajax will sail for San Francisco at 6 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The steamship Gussie Telfair is due from Sitka.

The barks Eden and Japan and the ship Cashmere will probably finish loading next week.

The tonnage market is unusually dull and the discharged vessels seem to have little hope of being taken up, both here and at San Francisco.

The steamship Geo. W. Elder will leave San Francisco for Portland to-morrow.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING IN POST-office at Portland, county of Multnomah, Oregon, Jan. 20, 1877. Persons calling for these letters must give the date on which they are advertised.

Ladies' List.

Ball, Miss Sarah J — Kent, Miss Rachel
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Burke, Miss Mary
Burton, Mrs Rhoda
Michlet, Miss Tony
Carroll, Mrs Wm — Miller, Mrs Anna
Clifford, Mrs E J — McKay, Miss Alice
Crins, Mrs Eliza — McCurdy, Mrs Ruth
Davidson, Mrs Mary A — Flanigan, Miss Addie
Denhens, Miss Annie — Rogers, Mrs Mary
Dougher, Miss Annie E
Ernsle, Miss Mary — Sern, Mrs Matilda
Sweeney, Mrs Ellen
Frazier, Mrs Mary E — Warren, Mrs Ellen S
Warren, Mrs Eliza D
Gates, Mrs Wm W — Williams, Mrs S J
Goodell, Mrs E — Williamson, Miss M E
White, Miss Emma
Jones, Miss Sarah — Young, Mrs Linda

Gentlemen's List.

Agricultural Continental Life Insurance Co. — Foster, Benj — Patridge, John
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Abrams, D K — Gaffney, Andrew — Rhodes, Mahlon
Greiner, Andrew — Rendall, Geo
Ritchie, Wm B
Birdsell, G M — Hamilton, C V — Rogers, J P
Bibbey, Jas — Herald — Rothermund, G
Bowie, John — Hoffman, J R — Robbins, G
Bjorshee, M J — Hubbard, O A
Brandt, A P — Hallett, H — Sanborn, Wm
Britton, John — Hall, Luman — Shanklin, J W
Browne, Jas — Hannon, Joseph — Sheane, J
Hanshaw, David — Smith, J N
Carr, W W — Smith, L W
Carey, John — Jordan, Edward — Smith, E N
Collins, A M — Strong, Elisha
Collyer, J — Kaublko, A — Strong, J B
Crabb, Joseph — Kratz, Carl — St. Clare, Arthur
Creecy, Jas — Kruger, G — Straub, John
Chanbonme, C — Stevenson, J B
Chapman, W G — Ladrif, Geo — Steers, John
Chapman, T — Leib, Fred H
Curren, Patrick — Losee, Judson B — Tobin, Tom
Logan, Frank C — Thomas, Jas E
Dance, Thos E — Lunz, Jas K — Thompson, A M
Dioseway, I C
Dubruil, J B — Matthies, E — Vickers, Elias
Mess, Mr — Vautier, Emile
Ed. Evening News — Meir, John
Everberg, H — Morin, Theodule — Weld, Cyrus M
Martin, John — Wilkins, Chas W
McCabe, Peter — Ward, Jas
Fleck, J D — McClure, M D — Wheatley, Paris
Ferguson, Robt — McCausland, O J — Williamson, W S
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DELASHMUTT & OATMAN.

State Treasurer's Notice.

STATE OF OREGON,
TREASURER'S OFFICE,
Salem, January 17, 1877.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THERE are funds in the Treasury for the payment of the following Warrants drawn in the year 1876, viz: 277, 278, 2804, 282, 279, 283, 284, 286, 287, 288, 289, 224, 290, 262, 261, 260, 290, 293, 295, 297, 294, 295, 296, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 321, 322, 291, 340, 342, 320, 345, 330, 331, 332, 343, 344, 347, 292, 299, 300.

Interest on these Warrants will cease on the 18th inst.

A. H. BROWN,
State Treasurer.

Also, all Coupons for January, 1877, will be paid.
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For 1877.

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This being the FIFTEENTH ANNUAL ISSUE of the above work, the Publisher will spare no expense to render it FULLY RELIABLE and ACCURATE, his sole aim being to make the DIRECTORY useful to every citizen in Portland as a faithful annual index of the commercial condition of the city.

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LEAVE.		ARRIVE.	
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Albany	1:30 A. M.	Portland	9:05 A. M.

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